Arizona Science Olympiad Student Build Day - Tower

- Arizona Science Olympiad in conjunction with National and State Event Supervisors is offering a Build Workshop focused on the event **Tower**.
- Saturday, November 4, 2023
- Hosted by: Rancho Solano Prep School, 9180 E Via de Ventura, Scottsdale, AZ. 85358
- 8:00 am – Noon, Check In begins at 7:30 am
- Please Register at: www.azscienceolympiad.org
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Saturday, 4 November 2023
Agenda & Details

- Check In: Beginning at 7:30 am
- Track 1: Tower, 8:00 am – noon
- Registration Deadline 1 November 2023
- Students must have a parent, Event Coach, or Head Coach with them
- Students should bring their materials, pre-work required for the Tower workshop
- Code of Conduct will be enforced
Tower Workshop

**PURPOSE:** Provide beginner & experienced Middle School & High School Science Olympiad students insight into the new Tower event, including an instructor led presentation and rules discussion, followed by a hands-on build & test session. This workshop will be a unique opportunity for them to learn special building skills and receive guidance/tips for improved performance in the future. Towers, including:
- **Grasp the concept of the Tower Event with a good understanding of the Rules, Specifications, and testing**
- **Build Towers using the Provided Div B and Div C Templates as a reference**
- **Gain insight into “critical skills” and “attention to details” for improved performance in the Tower Event**
- **Experience an Official Tower test on completed Towers and/or example Towers built by the Event Supervisor**
- **Experience actual fault diagnoses of tested Tower using a Smart Phone with Pop Mo video capture & editing, and capture recommendations for design/construction improvements (i.e., Scientific Method and typical Design Log entries)**
- **Real-time discussion and Q&A throughout the workshop with the Event Supervisor**

**AGENDA:** (Time critical activities to conclude with Tower testing)
- **8:00-9:00am**  Presentation/Overview of event and open Q&A discussion from homework assignment
- **9:00-11:00am**  Build Session (use of the SO Templates, or students to initiate build own unique designs)
- **11:00-12:00pm** Test activities (on any completed Towers...and/or Towers built by the Tower Event Supervisor)

**PREQUISITES & LOGISTICS:**
1. Up to 2 Students from each school, who will be participating/competing in this event during this season
2. Adults must be present, either an Event Coach, Team Coach, or Parent that would represent the attending school
3. Large room to host 10 sets of two students (Minimum of 4 schools, maximum of 10), with tables and chairs arranged in a pseudo Workshop setting, with large tables for teams to perform Tower construction activities.
4. Projector with HDMI cable available for presentation of materials and videos
5. Students must perform pre-work/homework on the event, to include thoroughly reading the Tower rules, and watching the “8 minute YouTube Template build video posted on the SO Tower webpage”

**MATERIALS (Students should bring ...):**
1. Balsa wood materials (Qty 4 pieces of 3/16” x 3/16” x 36”, Qty 7 pieces of 1/8” x 1/8” x 36”, ... optional Qty 7 pieces of 1/16” x 16” x 36”). **NOTE:** Students may bring other wood pieces that they plan to use if not building to the SO Template
2. Small bottle (1/2 oz) Cyanoacrylate Gap Filling 5-10 sec cure glue
3. Safety glasses for each participating Student

**MATERIALS (Supervisor will bring ...):**
1. Multiple copies of the official SO Div B & C Tower templates
2. Various Wood Cutting tools
3. Various Pins, Tape, blocks, sand paper, nail files
4. Layout/Pins boards
5. Rulers/rulers/levels
6. Testing Apparatus (Hopper system), with sand, Load Block assembly